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SUBJ: KABUL-PEKING REATIONS: DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE AND

THE NAIM VISIT

REF: HONG KONG 13321; 13571; KABUL 8059

- 1. ENGLISH AND VERNACULAR KABUL PRESS ANNOUNCED JANUARY 2 THAT CHINA HAD GRANTED AFGHANISTAN LONG-TERM INTEREST-FREE LOAN AMOUNTING TO EQUIVALENT OF FIFTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (ONE HUNDRED MILLION YUAN) FOR FINANCING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS. REPORTS STATE AGREEMENT SIGNED RECENTLY IN PEKING BY DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTERS WAHEED ABDULLAH AND HAN NIEN LUNG. ABDULLAH TOLD AMBASSADOR JAN 4 THAT PROJECTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN AGREED UPON.
- 2. DELAY IN ANNOUNCING THIS AGREEMENT HERE (FIRST REFTEL STATES SIGNING TOOK PLACE DECEMBER 6) PERHAPS OCCASIONED BY CONFIDENTIAL

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NEED FOR AFGHAN CABINET/CENTRAL COMMITTEE AGREEMENT. HOWEVER

INFO CONTAINED SECOND REFTEL AND PARA 6 KABUL REFTEL RAISES POSSIBILITY THAT HANGUP WAS ON CHINESE SIDE. WITH DELAY IN APPROVING THE LARGER AMOUNT. A THIRD POSSIBILITY IS THAT AFGHANS WANTED TO TELL SOVIETS BEFORE AGREEMENT WAS MADE PUBLIC AND HAD NO TIME TO DO SO AFTER NAIM'S RETURN UNTIL AFTER ID-E-QORBAN HOLIDAYS ENDED DECEMBER 28. ELIOT

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